

Public Participation Opportunity

State of Tennessee

Department of Environment and Conservation
Division of Water Pollution Control
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The purpose of this notice is to advise the public of the following draft environmental permits and to solicit comments and information necessary to evaluate the potential impact of the proposed activities on human health and the environment.

Individual NPDES Permits

Coal Proposed Reissuances

Applicant S & H Mining, Inc.

Facility Deep Mine 11

NPDES Permit Number TN0072168

County Campbell

Street Address Cross Mountain

City Lake City

Zip 37769

Description of Activity Underground coal mine

Receiving Stream Stony Fork

Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

Facility Latitude 36° 12' 10" Facility Longitude 84° 14' 25" Permit Writer MRR

Applicant Tennessee Consolidated Coal Company

Facility Morganville Strip Mine 4

NPDES Permit Number TN0071170

County Marion

Street Address Griffith Creek

City Whitwell

Zip 37397

Description of Activity Reclaimed coal surface mine

Receiving Stream Griffith Creek

Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

Facility Latitude 35° 16' 40" Facility Longitude 85° 30' 45" Permit Writer MRR

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Non-Coal Proposed Reissuances

Applicant Tipton County Gravel

Facility Bradshaw Pit

NPDES Permit Number TN0071641

County Tipton

Street Address 819 Baskins Road

City Burlison Zip 38015

Description of Activity Surface gravel mine

Receiving Stream Unnamed tributary of Indian Creek Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

Facility Latitude 35° 33' 07" Facility Longitude 89° 45' 52" Permit Writer JPJ

Applicant Dement Construction Company

Facility Denmark Sand Plant

NPDES Permit Number TN0069094

County Madison

Street Address 329 Hardee Road

City Denmark Zip 38391

Description of Activity Sand removal and sand processing plant

Receiving Stream Hart Creek (Watershed Lake)

Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

Facility Latitude 35° 31' 30" Facility Longitude 88° 56' 30"

Permit Writer JPJ

Non-Coal Proposed Termination

Applicant General Shale Products, LLC

Facility Mine 8-Millertown-B

NPDES Permit Number TN0071455

County Knox

Street Address Harris Road

City Knoxville

Zip 37901

Reason for Request Mine was not developed and site was not disturbed by mining activity

Description of Activity Shale mine (never disturbed)

Receiving Stream Unnamed tributary to Woods Creek Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

Facility Latitude 36° 02' 34" Facility Longitude 83° 51' 07" Permit Writer JPJ

How to Comment:

TDEC is requesting public comment on this permit action. Obtaining a broad range of facts and opinions on Agency actions is one of the best ways to ensure quality decisions. Persons wishing to comment on the proposed action are invited to submit comments in writing to the Mining Section at the above letterhead address, Attn: Public Notice Coordinator, by fax number (865) 594-6105, or by E-mail at Gary.Mullins@state.tn.us. Comments must be received by the end of comment period date (see page 1).

How to Request a Public Hearing:

Interested persons may request in writing that the Director of the Division of Water Pollution Control hold a public hearing on any application. The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the party filing it and the reasons for a hearing. When there is significant public interest for a hearing, a hearing will be conducted according to the Division of Water Pollution Control Rule 1200-4-1-.05(3)(g). Public hearings will be announced through another public notice.

How the Department Will Proceed:

The Director of the Division of Water Pollution Control will determine the final permit action after considering comments submitted during the comment period, the hearing record, if any, and the requirements of the Federal and State acts and regulations.

To Obtain Permit Details:

Draft Permits contain Anti-degradation determinations and Rationales that address information concerning the foundation for the Division's determinations. Copies of the application(s), draft permit(s), and supporting documentation are in the permit files maintained at the Mining Section's office at the letterhead address. These files are available for public inspection during normal visiting hours by contacting Kimberley.Reardon@state.tn.us or calling (865) 594-5619.

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State of Tennessee Antidegradation Policy

Tennessee's Antidegradation Statement is in Chapter 1200-4-3-.06 of the Rules of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. The primary purpose of the antidegradation policy is to establish a greater level of protection for high quality waters. Some high-quality waters are in near-pristine condition. Others are determined to be high quality due to specialized uses and/or unique features.

Generally, there are two types of high-quality waters. Outstanding National Resource Waters (ONRWs) or Tier 3 waters receive the greatest level of protection. The Water Quality Control Board designates these waters. New discharges or expansion of existing discharges cannot degrade existing water quality.

The Department identifies other high quality waters known as Tier 2 waters and protects against their degradation. The Water Quality Control Board may allow some degradation if the Board deems it economically and socially necessary. Tier 1 waters refer to other surface waters that do not have the identification and/or designation as high quality. These waters must achieve and maintain Tennessee's Water Quality Standards.

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